

Kershaw Evangelical Presbyterian Church Preach the Word, Teach the Word, Live the Word, Spread the Word August 28, 2022

## Kershaw Evangelical Presbyterian Church Sunday, August 28, 2022

Prelude:

Choral Call to Worship: We Have Come into His House

No.588

We welcome Nathan McNeely to bring God's Word today

Welcome and Announcements

\*Hymn: "At Calvary"

No.338

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Special Music: "Beau Beaumont"

Scripture: 2 Timothy 2:20-26

Sermon: "Fine China and Paper Plates"

\*Hymn: "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

No.376

Benediction:

Postlude:

<sup>\*</sup> All who are able are invited to stand and sing

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **+** Sunday School on September 4 at 9:30 in the Educational Building with John Brewer. The lesson The Call of Abram with scripture from Genesis 12:1-7; 15:1-7.
- † Joel Haan will speak next Sunday, September 4, 2022.
- † The choir will practice Wednesday, August 31 at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall.
- † Sunday School literature for the fall quarter is available in the Assembly Room.
- **†** The Upper Room devotionals for September-October are available on the stand in the sanctuary foyer.
- **† Thank You** to all who helped deliver meals during the past week. The Council needs help with meal deliveries on September 7-9. If you can help with any of these days, please let Terry know.
- **† Thank You** for participating in our Back-to-School event last Sunday. To date, your "School" donations total \$585.
- † Thank You for supporting our Kentucky Mission effort by giving \$505.
- † Today will be the final Sunday for the School and KY Mission offerings.

Called To Grow by Sheridan Voysey in Our Daily Bread

2 Peter 1:8 "For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive."

The sea squirt is a strange creature. Found attached to rocks and shells, it looks like a soft plastic tube waving with the current. Drawing its nutrients from the passing water, it lives a passive life far removed from its once-active youth. As a juvenile, it spends its days exploring the ocean, but something happens when it reaches adulthood. Settling on its rock, it stops exploring and growing. The apostle Peter encourages us not to follow the sea squirt's fate. Since maturity for us means taking on God's nature (2 Peter 1:4), you and I are called to grow-grow mentally in our knowledge of Christ (3:18); spiritually in traits like goodness, perseverance, and self-control (1:5-7); and practically by exploring new ways to love, offer hospitality, and serve others through our gifts (1 Peter 4:7-11). Such growth, Peter says, will stop us from living "ineffective and unproductive" lives (2 Peter 1:8). Father God, please help me to grow more like you each day.

Don't forget the greatest thing we can do for God or for man is to pray. Our Session; pastor search committee; Scott/Amanda Mosley; Dr. W.L. & Sue McDow; Charles Jones; military-(Brandon Primm/Tyler Granata/Tanner McIsaac); Janet Smith; Elaine McIsaac; Thomas Woods; Cindy Lebecky; Michael George; Nick Worley; Ruth Wiser, Bella Stroud; Justin Peavy; Matthew and Colton Green; Ken Faulkenberry; Faye Bennett; Clay Brewer, Roger Estridge; Bryan Croxton; Phil Hydrick; Drake Starnes; Megan Branham; Holly Everall; Hadlee Braswell; Robert McManus; Logan Leophart; those who have lost love ones in the community; Archie & Dayna Singleton; Mark/Delores Catoe; Anita Lawrence & Jackson; Parker Byrd; James Paul Izzard; Scott/Samatha/Josephine Upton; Mack Blaich; Opioid epidemic; Council on Aging, schools; prisons; President Biden; our Nation; leaders; military; police; doctors; nurses; EMS; missionaries; enemies; Israel (Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem); Kentucky; North Korea; China; Taiwan; Iran; Turkey; Russia; Ukraine; Afghanistan; those in nursing homes; remember that God's Word is the plumb line for knowing what is right from wrong; break the chains of fear, hate, and greed; persecuted church; a great awakening.

\*If there are names that can be taken off the prayer list or names that need to be added, please let Scott or Patricia Croxton know.